PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

# EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD

OF

# NEBRASKA,

CONVENED AT

WEST POINT, NEBRASKA, SEPTEMBER 19-23, 1894,

IN

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH,

REV. W. A. LIPE, PASTOR.

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| *Primarii.* | *Secundi.* |
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## West Point, Neb., September 19 to 23, 1894.

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Pursuant to adjournment, the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska met in Grace Lutheran church, West Point, Neb., Rev. W. A. Lipe, pastor, on Wednesday evening, September 19, 1894.

After one-half hour song service the pastor introduced the Rev. Samuel Pierson, pastor of Congregational church, who welcomed the Synod to the city, the President making an appropriate response.

The opening sermon was then preached by Rev. W. C. McCool, President of Synod. Text: Acts, 2d chapter and 42d verse.

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## FIRST DAY—FIRST SESSION.

THURSDAY, 8:30 A. M.

One-half hour was spent in devotional service; at the appointed hour Synod was formally called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the lay delegates enrolled.

## Roll.

| Clerical. | Entered Ministry. | Address. | Lay Delegate. |
|---|---|---|---|
| W. F. Eyster | 1841 | Crete. | |
| Lloyd Knight, *a. e.* | 1845 | Yutan. | |
| W. C. Barnett | 1849 | Archer. | |
| J. Zimmerman, *a. e.* | 1856 | Lincoln. | |
| J. G. Groenmiller, *a. e.* | 1857 | Falls City. | |
| S. L. Aughey, LL.D., *a. e.* | 1858 | Abner, Ala. | |
| C. A. Fritze, *a. e.* | 1858 | Hastings. | |
| J. F. Kuhlman | 1858 | Grand Island. | |
| H. W. Kuhns, D. D., *a. e.* | 1858 | Omaha. | |
| W. A. Lipe | 1860 | West Point | Edward Doendorf. |
| G. H. Schnur | 1860 | Yutan | Fred. Utesch. |
| B. Sickel, *a.* | 1862 | Rockport, Mo. | |
| H. Siekmann, *a.* | 1862 | Hastings. | |
| L. Groh | 1863 | Lincoln | Prof. L. F. M. Easterday. |
| J. H. Link, *a.* | 1865 | Lincoln (Waverly) | U. J. Martz. |
| M. L. Kunkleman | 1866 | Wayne | W. B. Stanbaugh. |
| J. A. Clutz, D. D. | 1867 | Atchinson, Kan. | |
| J. S. Detweiler, D.D., *a. e.* | 1873 | Omaha. | |
| A. C. Gearhart, D.D., *a. e.* | 1873 | South Auburn. | |
| D. Z. Foulk | 1873 | North Platte. | |
| I. N. Augustine, *a. e.* | 1874 | Hastings. | |
| E. F. A. Hantel | 1875 | Schuyler. | |
| F. W. Scheibel, *a. e.* | 1876 | | |
| R. W. Petrea | 1876 | Pawnee City | John E. Webber. |
| B. F. Pugh, *a. e.* | 1877 | Sabetha, Kan. | |
| W. L. Remsberg | 1877 | Beatrice | D. S. Zimmerman. |
| L. P. Ludden | 1878 | Lincoln | J. B. Martin, *a. e.* |
| H. A. Opsal, *a.* | 1878 | South Denver, Col. | |
| J. N. Zimmer, *a.* | 1878 | Elk City. | |
| G. H. Albright | 1879 | Lincoln. | |
| A. T. Ludwig, *a. e.* | 1879 | Allentown, Pa. | |
| W. Diffenbach | 1880 | Wilber | James Kyle. |
| Fred. Gafert, *a. e.* | 1880 | Grand Island. | |
| C. W. Baker | 1885 | Davenport | H. K. Musser. |
| G. W. Dell | 1885 | Nebraska City | F. Coleman, *a. e.* |
| Luther M. Kuhns | 1885 | Omaha | J. F. Smith, *a. e.* |
| W. C. McCool | 1886 | Ponca. | |
| A. J. Turkle | 1886 | Omaha | Oscar P. Goodman, *a. e.* |
| R. A. White | 1886 | Benedict. | |
| P. B. Holtgreve, *a. e.* | 1887 | Stella. | |
| H. J. Hapeman | 1888 | Dakota City | J. O. Foster. |
| L. J. Motschmann, *a. e.* | 1893 | Chicago, Ill. | |
| W. H. Berry, *a.* | 1893 | Surprise. | |
| W. A. Dutton | 1894 | Tekamah | Ole Larson. |
| J. S. Leamer | 1894 | Gettysburg, Pa. | |
| C. J. Ringer | 1894 | Atchison, Kan. | |
| John J. Albert | 1894 | Sidney. | |
| | | Roca Charge | Morris Kates, *a. e.* |

*a.* Absent. *a. e.* Absent and excused.

The following were received as advisory members or recognized by Synod in their official capacity: Rev. H. H. Weber, General Secretary of Board of Church Extension; Rev. S. B. Barnitz, D. D., Western Secretary of the Board of Home Missions; Rev. J. D. Severinghaus, D. D., Chicago, Ill.; Rev. J. W. Kimmel, Kansas Synod.

As visiting brethren, Rev. Samuel Pierson, Congregational church, West Point; Bro. J. Bender, Yutan, Neb.; Rev. E. E. Shafer, M. E. church, West Point; Rev. F. E. Martin, of the German Evangelical Association.

## President's Report.

*Beloved Fathers and Brethren of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska:*

"I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord.

"Our feet shall stand within thy gates O, Jerusalem! They shall prosper that love thee."

Another year with its opportunities and labors, with its joys and sorrows, with its successes and failures, has come and gone, and in kind Providence we have been spared to meet in this twenty-second annual convention. May the spirit of the Master guide us in our deliberations, so that His name may be glorified and His people edified.

I will now give you a statement of my official acts during the year just closed.

### I. DISMISSALS.

I dismissed the following brethren:

October 23, 1893, Rev. G. S. Diven, to Synod of Northern Indiana.
November 4, 1893, Rev. Conrad Huber, to the Olive Branch Synod.
December 2, 1893, Rev. E. Lee Fleck, to the Miami Synod.
March 3, 1894, Rev. J. G. Griffith, to the Synod of Kansas.
March 31, 1894, Rev. W. H. Naffziger, to the East Ohio Synod.
May 24, 1894, Rev. J. W. Kimmel, to the Synod of Kansas.

### II. RECEPTIONS.

1. May 10, 1894, a letter of honorable dismission from the President of the Synod of South Western Virginia, dismissing Rev. W. A. Dutton, a licentiate of that Synod, to this, was placed in my hands. His name was enrolled, and he will appear before you for ordination.

2. July 31, 1894, I received a letter of honorable dismissal from the President of the Rocky Mountain Synod, dismissing Rev. D. Z. Foulk to this Synod. As Bro. Foulk was formerly a member of this body, he needs no introduction.

3. September 10, 1894, I received a letter of honorable dismissal from the President of the German Synod of Nebraska, dismissing Rev. E. F. A. Hantel to this Synod.

4. Rev. A. T. Ludwig informed me that the Ministerium of Penna. would not receive him into that body, to which he was dismissed by your President a year ago, until he would receive a call within their bounds, and he desired to hold his membership with this Synod. I asked that he return to me the letter granted him by Dr. Detweiler, and contribute to Synodical Treasury as the constitution requires. He did so.

III. CALLS ACCEPTED.

December 1, 1893, Rev. M. L. Kunkleman accepted a call tendered him by the Lutheran church of Wayne, and commenced labors at once.

January 1, 1894, Rev. D. Z. Foulk received a call from the Lutheran church of North Platte, and immediately entered upon his labors.

May 10, 1894, Rev. W. A. Dutton accepted a call from the Burt County charge.

IV. RESIGNATIONS.

November 12, 1893, Rev. E. Lee Fleck resigned at Sidney, Neb.

December 1, 1893, Rev. W. H. Naffziger resigned the Kearney and Lexington mission.

February 7, 1894, Rev. J. S. Detweiler, D. D. resigned St. Mark's, Omaha.

March 1, 1894, Rev. J. W. Kimmel resigned the Burt County charge.

July 1, 1894, Rev. A. C. Gearhart resigned Auburn, to take effect October 1st.

August 1, 1894, Rev. L. J. Motschmann resigned at Grand Island.

August 8, 1894, Rev. J. H. Link resigned at Roca.

V. INSTALLATION.

On November 26, 1893, Rev. Geo. W. Dell was installed pastor of the First Evangelical Lutheran church of Nebraska City, Rev. W. L. Remsberg delivering the charge to the pastor and Rev. H. W. Kuhns, D. D., the charge to the people and performing the liturgical services.

VI. DEDICATIONS.

On Sunday, September 24, 1893, the temporary chapel of the Grace Lutheran church of Lincoln was dedicated, Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D., preaching the sermon.

On November 12, 1893, Rev. C. W. Baker dedicated the chapel of the handsome and commodious church which is to be erected in the near future by the Lutheran church of Davenport. The structure is a very substanital one, neatly finished and furnished, and which cost about $1,500.00. The pastor was assisted in the exercises by Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D., and Rev. J. N. Lenker, D. D., the former preaching the sermon.

VII. AD INTERIM LICENSE.

Rev. J. S. Leamer, a young man of our own territory, a graduate of Midland College and member of the senior class in the Seminary at Gettysburg, has supplied, during the summer vacation, our church at David City. Feeling that he could enter upon the work more efficiently as a licensed minister, he

applied for an *ad interim* license June 15, 1894. I granted him license until this meeting of Synod.

Rev. C. J. Ringer, a member of the second year class in the Theological Department of Midland College, and one of our beneficiaries, informed me that he was supplying our churches at Norcatur and Long Island, Kansas. He had a large class of catechumens which he was anxious to confirm himself and administer the communion. I granted him license until this meeting of Synod. He will apply for licensure.

VIII. OBITUARY.

For the third time, I believe, since the organization of our Synod, twenty-two years ago, death has invaded our ranks. On March 18, 1894, Rev. A. Vockel departed this life and entered upon his reward at the age of fifty-nine years, three months and twelve days. He died from the effects of a surgical operation necessitated by an injury years ago and performed as a last recourse after long and painful suffering. I recommend that a suitable memorial be made.

IX. VACANCIES.

So far as I am informed, the following vacancies exist: St. Mark's, Omaha; Kearney and Lexington, David City, Sabetha, Kansas; McCook, Roca, Sidney, Auburn, Grand Island and Rising and Surprise.

And now I will hand back to you the trust committed to my care one year ago. The year has not been without its vexations and anxieties on the part of your President. Not much has been done. Not as much as should have been done; but I did the best I could; I recognize the hearty sympathy and co-operation on the part of the brethren, and with profound gratitude to Almighty God for His care and blessing during the year, and with prayer for a continuance of the same, this is

Respectfully submitted, W. C. McCOOL, *President.*

*Ponca, Neb., September* 19, 1894.

## Election of Officers

The following officers were then elected for the ensuing Synodical year:

*President*—Rev. W. C. McCool, Ponca, Neb.

*Secretary*—Rev. Luther P. Ludden, Lincoln, Neb.

*Statistical Secretary*—Bro. U. J. Martz, Waverly, Neb.

*Treasurer*—Prof. L. F. M. Easterday, Lincoln, Neb.

## Hours of Meeting.

*Resolved*, That we meet at 8:30 a. m. for devotional services, and for business from 9 a. m. to 11:30 a. m. and from 2 p. m. to 5 p. m.

Adopted.

## Treasurer's Report.

*To the President and Members of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska:*

*Dear Brethren:* As your Treasurer I report to you as follows for the year ending September 1, 1894:

RECEIPTS.

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| On hand (ex-Treasurer) September 1, 1893 | $97 89 | |
| Received for Home Missions regular | 272 22 | |
| " " " " Children's day | 233 60 | |
| " " Foreign " regular | 224 80 | |
| " " " " Children's day | 104 20 | |
| " " Church Extension | 311 11 | |
| " " Board of Education | 206 74 | |
| " " Pastors' Fund | 65 83 | |
| " " General Synod | 28 44 | |
| " " Beneficiary Education | 308 78 | |
| " " Synodical Treasury | 129 21 | |
| " " Deaconess Board | 15 23 | |
| " " Orphans' Home | 99 06 | |
| " " Chicago Seminary | 24 00 | |
| " " Cleveland Mission | 9 00 | |
| " " Midland College (contingent) | 9 00 | |
| " " Foreign Mission Emergency Fund | 15 00 | |
| " " Boards' Jubilee Fund | 5 00 | |
| " " Travelling Secretary | 10 00 | |
| Total | | $2169 11 |

DISBURSEMENTS.

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| Paid on Home Missions, Regular | $272 17 | |
| " " " Children's Day Fund | 233 60 | |
| " Foreign " Regular | 224 80 | |
| " " " Children's Day Fund | 104 20 | |
| " Church Extension | 311 09 | |
| " Board of Education | 206 71 | |
| " Pastors' Fund | 65 83 | |
| " General Synod | 22 70 | |
| " Beneficiary Education | 275 00 | |
| " Synodical Treasury | 171 89 | |
| " Deaconess Board | 15 23 | |
| " Orphans' Home | 99 06 | |
| " Chicago Seminary | 24 00 | |
| " Cleveland Mission | 9 00 | |
| " Midland College | 9 00 | |
| " Foreign Mission Emergency Fund | 15 00 | |
| " Boards' Jubilee Fund | 5 00 | |
| " Traveling Secretary | 10 00 | |
| On hand September 1, 1894 | 94 83 | |
| Total | | $2169 11 |

Balance on hand is in the following accounts:

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| Synodical Treasury | $1 49 | |
| General Synod | 7 24 | |
| Beneficiary Education | 86 10 | |
| Total | | $94 83 |

My tabulated exhibit presents to view that which is of interest to all members of the Synod. The account book, open to all, shows the conduct and condition of all the individual accounts which it has been necessary to open during the year. Sixty-seven numbered vouchers are herewith presented, fully representing the money disbursed. One hundred and sixty-eight accompanying stubs correspond with the receipts sent back in return for all various remittances made to me by pastors and others during the year. I have performed all the duties of my office to the best of my ability, and now with thanks I submit my report most respectfully, L. F. M. EASTERDAY,

*Treasurer Ev. Lutheran Synod of Nebraska.*

The report, with the accompanying documents, was referred to the Auditing Committee.

Rev. H. H. Weber, General Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, then addressed the Synod.

The President announced the Committees.

(By resolution of Synod, list is omitted from printed Minutes.)

## FIRST DAY—SECOND SESSION.

THURSDAY, 2 P. M.

Synod opened in usual form.

There being two vacancies in the Examining Committee, Revs. Kunkleman and Remsberg were chosen to complete the committee.

Rev. W. C. Barnett, of the Middle Tennessee Synod, presented a letter of honorable dismission.

By motion, he was received as a member of Synod, and the Secretary instructed to place his name on the roll.

J. S. Leamer, C. J. Ringer and John J. Albert made formal application for licensure, and W. A. Dutton formally applied for ordination. The applications were received, and referred to the Examining Committee.

### Report of Committee on Traveling Secretary.

*Mr. President and Brethren:* At the meeting of the Committee on Traveling Secretary, held at the headquarters of the Committee, No. 1819 Pinckney street, Omaha, on the 26th of October, 1893, Rev. Conrad Huber, who had been Traveling Secretary ever since Synod inaugurated this permanent State

mission work at Rising in 1887, tendered his resignation, to accept a call extended him by St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Richmond, Ind. After careful consideration in committee, and not a few private consultations, we accepted with sincere regret the resignation of the brother who had so faithfully served this work.

In the financial settlement made at this time the Committee found they were in arrears $753.53 for salary and current expenses. Through the effort of Mr. Robert Weidensall the committee gratefully acknowledge their obligation to his untiring interest in the financial concerns of this important work; a canvass was made, and with such success that this alarming indebtedness has been so reduced that with cash on hand and reliable subscriptions our liability is only $160.40, a comparatively small deficit.

The following statement of Mr. M. W. Swain, the efficient Treasurer of the Committee, will exhibit our financial condition. This statement is for the year ending Sept. 15, 1894:

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| Balance on hand, as per last report | $5 77 |
| Received on subscription | 710 85 |
| Total | $716 62 |

*Contra.*

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| Paid Rev. C. Huber on salary | $609 87 |
| Paid on expense account | 88 67 |
| Balance on hand, Sept. 15, 1894 | 18 08 |
| Total | $716 62 |

*Liabilities.*

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|---|---|
| Salary due Rev. Huber | 418 48 |

*Assets.*

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| Cash on hand | 18 08 |
| Unpaid subscriptions | 240 00 |
| Total | $258 08 |
| Deficiency | 160 40 |

For the future our plans are simple. We purpose continuing our efforts to liquidate our indebtedness, and not until we owe no man anything but to love him for Christ's sake will any effort be made to fill the vacancy of the Traveling Secretary.

As the terms of office of Rev. J. G. Griffith and Messrs. J. F. Wilhelmy and M. W. Swain expire with this year, it becomes necessary for Synod to appoint a committee to nominate three members of this Committee besides the President of Synod, who is ex-officio a member of this committee, whose term of office shall be three years.

The only work of any special consequence your Committee has to report is the enterprise at Walback, Greeley county. On the retirement of Rev. C. Huber this work was entrusted to the care of the Secretary of the Committee. It is possible for us to report that Rev. W. C. Barnett consented to supply this

point. Under his ministrations a congregation was organized with 21 members and a lot secured for a church. Except this, no mission work has been done since the resignation of Rev. Huber.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. *Resolved*, That with humble hearts we return thanks to God for the blessings that have attended this work during the year.

2. *Resolved*, That the Committee be authorized to secure at least $1400 for the work of the next year, commencing January 1, 1895, and that all expenses of the Committee on Traveling Secretary be paid out of the Treasury of that Committee, and that the salary of the Secretary shall not exceed $1,000.

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE.

Mr. J. F. Wilhelmy, President; Rev. Luther M. Kuhns, Secretary; Mr. M. W. Swain, Treasurer; Rev. W. C. McCool, Rev. A. J. Turkle, Rev. J. G. Griffith, Mr. Robert Weidensall, Hon. Henry Sprick, Mr. H. G. Myers.

LUTHER M. KUHNS,
*Secretary of Committee.*

Report was considered item by item.

Resolution 1 adopted by rising vote, and while standing Rev. Dr. Barnitz offered prayer.

Resolution 2, adopted.

Report adopted as a whole.

## Report of Committee on Minutes of Last Year.

Your Committee would report that about the only matter which needs the attention of Synod is found on page 23 of the printed Minutes, and is as follows:

*Resolved*, That all such clerical members of Synod who have not been present during the past two years and are unexcused, be requested to present themselves or acceptable excuses at the next meeting of Synod, under penalty of having their names stricken from the roll, and that this action be communicated by the Secretary to the following brethren: F. H. Scheible, F. M. Andreason, A. Jatho, L. Schabinger and H. L. Roernaes.

Has the Secretary attended to the matter, and what do the brethren say?

Respectfully, C. W. BAKER.

The Secretary reported his duties attended to, and that he had excuse from F. H. Scheible, and that he had no report from the others.

The report was adopted.

Rev. Scheible was excused, and the matter of Revs. Andreason, Jatho, Schabinger and Roernaes was referred to the Examining Committee to recommend action.

Rev. S. B. Barnitz, Western Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, then addressed Synod in the interest of that Board.

## Report of the Advisory Board of Home Missions.

1. *Beatrice.*—Rev. W. L. Remsberg continues as pastor of this congregation. While the accessions have been encouraging, removals have been so frequent that they have not gained materially. There have been a number of improvements. The old debt has been reduced some.

2. *Benedict.*—The former missionary, Rev. R. A. White, continues his relations to this charge. During the year special services were held in each of the two congregations, which were greatly blest, and resulted in large accessions. Each congregation has a Y. P. S. C. E., which is doing a good work. The Sunday-schools are flourishing. The work throughout is encouraging.

3. *Bloomington* —Services are held regularly in the German language.

4. *David City.*—This mission was vacant and without any services the larger part of the year. In May Rev. W. H. Berry began holding services every alternate Sabbath, and continued them until in June, when Rev. J. S. Leamer was sent them by the Board to supply them during the summer vacation, which he has done with much acceptance. The interest in the work is greatly revived, and the prospects for successful work is good.

5. *Franklin.*—This point is supplied for the present by one of the members of the German Synod.

6. *Kearney.*—Last November this mission became vacant. Since then no services have been held to our knowledge. By removal and discouragement the membership has been greatly reduced. We know not what the Board have in store for them.

7. *Lexington.*—This was a part of the charge with Kearney. Before the last meeting of Synod services were discontinued, and we know of no effort made to revive them. We left these two points entirely to the supervision of the Board.

8. *Lincoln, St. Mark's,* remains under the pastoral care of Rev. L. Groh. He reports nothing special, but a year's slow but steady growth. The audiences are large and attentive. Thirty-three accessions, and fifteen infant baptisms are reported. The Sunday-school has an enrollment of 190, with the highest attendance at any one Sunday of 168. The Y. P. S. C. E. is active and doing an efficient work.

9. *Lincoln, Grace,* is still under the pastoral care of Rev. L. P. Ludden, and moving along with their work as best they can in these severe times.

10. *McCook.*—This congregation remains vacant. There is preaching in the German language, and a prospect in the near future of work being pushed at this point.

11. *North Platte.*—Rev. D. Z. Foulk took charge of this mission January 1, 1894. The year has been a successful one. The remaining indebtedness on the church was removed, and the property is now being improved by papering

and painting, etc. The number of scholars in the Sunday-school has been doubled during the year. Seventeen new members have been added. The pastor and people are encouraged.

12. *Omaha, St. Mark's.*—The missionary, Rev. J. S. Detweiler, D. D., resigned this congregation last February. They have been without a pastor since then. The pulpit was pretty regularly occupied by Rev. H. W. Kuhns, D. D. and Dr. Detweiler. The congregation is in a condition which makes it very difficult to secure a suitable man as pastor. The Sunday-school and prayer-meeting are regularly kept up and with much interest.

13. *Pawnee City.*—Rev. R. W. Petrea is still the faithful pastor here. The mission has had many things to encourage it. The congregation in the town has provided for the debt, and purchased and paid for a new organ. The congregation in the country organized a Y. P. S. C. E. with 25 members, and an average attendance of 35. More money has been contributed for benevolence and for support of pastor than any previous year.

14. *Sidney.*—This mission became vacant November 12, 1893. No services were held during the greater part of the year. About July 15, this year, the Board sent Rev. J. J. Albert, of Washington, a student in the Seminary at Gettysburg, to supply them during the summer vacation. We have not been informed as to the results.

15. *Wayne.*—Rev. M. L. Kunkleman was called to this place December 1st. The membership had been greatly discouraged and scattered. The pastor took hold with a will and determination. The success far surpassed his expectations. The attendance at public worship is said to be equal to that of the other churches in the place. Twenty-eight members were added. The Sunday-school was re-organized and has now about eighty scholars enrolled. The Luther Alliance has considerable money in the bank and are now negotiating for church pews which they expect to put in yet this fall. The work is encouraging.

16. *West Point.*—Synod will have ample opportunity to learn for themselves as to the work here. The pastor reports nothing special but a year of constant and successful labor. The results have been gratifying.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. McCOOL,
L. P. LUDDEN.

The report was adopted.

Rev. J. D. Severinghaus, D. D., addressed Synod in behalf of the German Theological Seminary at Chicago.

## EVENING SESSION.

The evening session was given over to the great work of Home Missions, when Rev. S. B. Barnitz, D. D., Western Secretary of

the Board of Home Missions, preached. Text: Neh. 2d chapter, 17th verse. Collection, $11.75.

## SECOND DAY—FIRST SESSION.

FRIDAY, 8:30 A. M.

Synod opened in usual form.

Rev. H. H. Weber presented the cause of the Children's Missionary and Missionary Journal.

The President of Synod presented this account:

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska to W. C. McCool, Dr.

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|---|---|
| To postage on 217 letters | $4 34 |
| To railroad fare | 5 45 |
| Total | $9 79 |

The claim was allowed and Secretary instructed to draw an order on Treasurer for same.

The Committee on Apportionment was instructed to apportion $175 to Synodical Treasury.

The following was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the following places be retained on the roll without apportionment: South Sioux City, Rockport, Central City, McCook, Kearney and Lexington.

The following were appointed a special committee to examine the documents on file and recommend some disposition of same: Rev. A. J. Turkle, Rev. W. Diffenbach and Prof. L. F. M. Easterday.

The Statistical Secretary was instructed to make up the parochial tables consecutively, and not by conference districts as formerly.

**Report of Committee on Standing Committees.**

Your Committee on Standing Committees recommend the following: (For list see Calendar.)

Respectfully submitted,

G. H. ALBRIGHT,
C. W. BAKER.

Report adopted.

The Secretary was instructed to report the collections in connection with the report of the evening meetings.

**Report of Committee on Minutes of South Platte Conference.**

After careful examination of the minutes of the South Platte Conference the Committee finds nothing in them demanding the attention of Synod at thist ime.

H. J. HAPEMAN,
E. F. A. HANTEL.

The report was accepted.

**Report of the Committee on Application of New Congregations.**

Your Committee on Reception of New Congregations would report that no applications have come into our hands.

R. A. WHITE,
W. A. DUTTON,
OLE LARSON.

Report accepted.

**Report of Committee on Beneficiary Education.**

Your Committee on Beneficiary Education would beg leave to submit the following report: We have assisted two men, H. A. Wolf and C. J. Ringer, during the past year. They have been in the Theological Department of Midland College. Very commendable progress has been made in their studies and acceptable work done during their vacation in supplying churches. They have entered upon their last year in the Seminary.

We recommend that $150 be granted each of them for this year.

We also recommend that $500 be apportioned to the churches for this purpose during this year.

We further recommend that the Committee on Education be given discretionary power to aid worthy young men during the year so far as the funds will allow.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. TURKLE,
L. P. LUDDEN,
W. A. LIPE.

Report adopted.

The Secretary of Synod presented the matter of the Board of Education.

**Report of the Committee on Speakers for Next Year.**

Your Committee would recommend the following speakers for next year (For list see Calendar).

Respectfully submitted,

G. H. SCHNUR,
R. A. WHITE.

The report was adopted.

The following was adopted:

*Resolved*, That a Committee of three be appointed to consider the advisability of establishing a Synodical newspaper.

Committee appointed—Rev. Luther M. Kuhns, Rev. C. W. Baker, and Rev. W. Diffenbach.

### Report of the Statistical Secretary.

The Statistical Secretary would submit the following report:

1. The blanks for the Parochial and State of Religion reports were sent to the members of Synod.

2. According to our Constitution, these blanks must be filled out and returned to the Statistical Secretary not later than the Monday preceding the meeting of Synod.

This was not observed by a number of the members of Synod, and it is to be hoped that the members of Synod will live up to their Constitution.

U. J. MARTZ, *Statistical Secretary.*

The report was adopted.

## SECOND DAY—SECOND SESSION.

FRIDAY, 2 P. M.

Synod opened in usual form.

### Report of the Committee on President's Report.

Your Committee on the President's Report recommend that the official acts of the President, as recorded in this report, be confirmed by Synod.

We recommend that an Obituary Committee be appointed to prepare suitable resolutions on the death of Rev. A. Yockel, and to express the sympathy of Synod to Rev. L. J. Motschmann on the death of his wife.

M. L. KUNKLEMAN,
H. J. HAPEMAN.

Report adopted.

The following were made Obituary Committee: Revs. J. A. Clutz, D. D., G. W. Dell, and Bro. U. J. Martz.

### Place for Next Meeting of Synod.

By ballot Wayne was chosen.

### Time.

The time fixed on is Wednesday evening, September 25, 1895.

## Report of Committee on Apportionment.

| | No. of Members..... | Foreign Missions..... | Home Missions..... | Church Extension..... | Board of Education.... | Pastors' Fund..... | General Synod..... | Beneficiary Education. | Synodical Treasury .. | Deaconess Board..... | Grand Total ..... |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Per member ..... | .... | 20 | 23 | 20 | 09 | 05 | 1½ | 23 | 08 | 01 | $1 10½ |
| Auburn ..... | 69 | $13 80 | $15 87 | $13 80 | $6 21 | $3 45 | $1 0 | $15 87 | $5 52 | $ 69 | 76 25 |
| Sabetha, St. Paul's | 28 | 5 60 | 6 44 | 5 60 | 2 52 | 1 40 | 42 | 6 44 | 2 24 | 28 | 30 94 |
| Sabetha, Zion's ... | 12 | 2 40 | 2 76 | 2 40 | 1 08 | 60 | 18 | 2 76 | 96 | 12 | 13 26 |
| Lincoln, Grace.... | 67 | 13 40 | 15 41 | 13 40 | 6 03 | 3 35 | 1 00 | 15 41 | 5 36 | 67 | 74 04 |
| Lincoln, St. Mark's | 123 | 24 60 | 28 29 | 24 60 | 11 07 | 6 15 | 1 85 | 28 29 | 9 84 | 1 23 | 135 91 |
| Pawnee City..... | 28 | 5 60 | 6 44 | 5 60 | 2 52 | 1 40 | 42 | 6 44 | 2 24 | 28 | 30 94 |
| Pawnee City, Zion. | 15 | 3 00 | 3 45 | 3 00 | 1 35 | 75 | 24 | 3 45 | 1 20 | 15 | 16 58 |
| Stella, Trinity .... | 103 | 20 60 | 23 69 | 20 60 | 9 27 | 5 15 | 1 55 | 23 69 | 8 24 | 1 03 | 113 82 |
| Wayne, St. Paul's. | 60 | 12 00 | 13 80 | 12 00 | 5 40 | 3 00 | 90 | 13 80 | 4 80 | 60 | 66 30 |
| Grand Island, Eng. | 56 | 11 20 | 12 88 | 11 20 | 5 04 | 2 80 | 84 | 12 88 | 4 48 | 56 | 61 88 |
| Grand Island, Ger. | 36 | 7 20 | 8 28 | 7 20 | 3 24 | 1 80 | 54 | 8 28 | 2 88 | 36 | 39 78 |
| North Platte..... | 84 | 16 80 | 19 32 | 16 80 | 7 56 | 4 20 | 1 26 | 19 32 | 6 72 | 84 | 92 82 |
| Ponca ..... | 116 | 23 20 | 26 68 | 23 20 | 10 44 | 5 80 | 1 74 | 26 68 | 9 28 | 1 16 | 128 18 |
| Davenport ..... | 67 | 13 40 | 15 41 | 13 40 | 6 03 | 3 35 | 1 00 | 15 41 | 5 36 | 67 | 74 04 |
| Tekamah, Emanuel | 44 | 8 80 | 10 12 | 8 80 | 3 96 | 2 20 | 66 | 10 12 | 3 52 | 44 | 48 62 |
| Oakland, Grace... | 40 | 8 00 | 9 20 | 8 00 | 3 60 | 2 00 | 60 | 9 20 | 3 20 | 40 | 44 20 |
| Oakland, Trinity. | 16 | 3 20 | 3 68 | 3 20 | 1 44 | 80 | 24 | 3 68 | 1 28 | 16 | 17 68 |
| Roca, Zion's..... | 26 | 5 20 | 5 98 | 5 20 | 2 34 | 1 30 | 39 | 5 98 | 2 08 | 26 | 28 73 |
| Omaha, Grace.... | 64 | 12 80 | 14 72 | 12 80 | 5 76 | 3 20 | 96 | 14 72 | 5 12 | 64 | 70 72 |
| Omaha, Kountze Memorial..... | 250 | 50 00 | 57 50 | 50 00 | 22 50 | 12 50 | 3 75 | 57 50 | 20 00 | 2 50 | 276 25 |
| Omaha, St. Mark's | 62 | 12 40 | 14 26 | 12 40 | 5 58 | 3 15 | 93 | 14 26 | 4 96 | 62 | 68 57 |
| Sidney ..... | 29 | 5 80 | 6 67 | 5 80 | 2 61 | 1 45 | 44 | 6 67 | 2 32 | 29 | 32 05 |
| West Point ..... | 96 | 19 20 | 22 08 | 19 20 | 8 64 | 4 80 | 1 44 | 22 08 | 7 68 | 96 | 106 08 |
| Benedict, Zion.... | 70 | 14 00 | 16 21 | 14 00 | 6 30 | 3 50 | 1 05 | 16 21 | 5 60 | 70 | 77 35 |
| Benedict, Bethel.. | 40 | 8 00 | 9 20 | 8 00 | 3 60 | 2 00 | 60 | 9 20 | 3 20 | 40 | 44 20 |
| Hastings, St. Paul's | 146 | 29 20 | 33 58 | 29 20 | 13 14 | 7 30 | 2 19 | 33 58 | 11 68 | 1 46 | 161 33 |
| David City ..... | 46 | 9 20 | 10 58 | 9 20 | 4 14 | 2 30 | 69 | 10 58 | 3 68 | 46 | 50 83 |
| Wilber ..... | 24 | 4 80 | 5 52 | 4 80 | 2 16 | 1 20 | 36 | 5 52 | 1 92 | 24 | 26 52 |
| Yutan, Zion's..... | 40 | 8 00 | 9 20 | 8 00 | 3 60 | 2 00 | 60 | 9 20 | 3 20 | 40 | 44 20 |
| Dakota City, Emanuel ..... | 30 | 6 00 | 6 90 | 6 00 | 2 70 | 1 50 | 45 | 6 90 | 2 40 | 30 | 33 15 |
| Dakota City, Salem | 75 | 15 00 | 17 25 | 15 00 | 6 75 | 3 75 | 1 13 | 17 25 | 6 00 | 75 | 82 88 |
| Dakota City, St. Paul's ..... | 31 | 6 20 | 7 13 | 6 20 | 2 79 | 1 55 | 47 | 7 13 | 2 48 | 31 | 34 26 |
| Rising City..... | 35 | 7 00 | 8 05 | 7 00 | 3 15 | 1 75 | 53 | 8 05 | 2 80 | 35 | 38 68 |
| Surprise ..... | 34 | 7 80 | 8 82 | 7 80 | 3 06 | 1 70 | 52 | 8 82 | 2 72 | 34 | 37 58 |
| Beatrice ..... | 66 | 13 20 | 15 18 | 13 20 | 6 04 | 3 30 | 99 | 15 18 | 5 28 | 66 | 72 93 |
| Waverly ..... | 46 | 9 20 | 10 58 | 9 20 | 4 14 | 2 30 | 69 | 10 58 | 3 68 | 46 | 50 83 |

Respectfully submitted,

D. Z. FOULK,
H. K. MUSSER.

Report adopted.

## Report of Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

Your Committee would report that very little special work was done. A letter prepared more than a year ago was used by some of our pastors in their congregations.

We would ask that the Committee be permitted to expend not to exceed $10.00 during the coming year for envelopes, tracts, pastoral letters, or any such helpful material as they may deem best for the pastors' use.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. TURKLE,
LUTHER M. KUHNS.

The report was adopted.

**Delegates to General Synod.**

Synod proceeded by ballot to elect delegates to the next session of the General Synod, resulting as follows:

| *Clerical.* | *Lay.* |
|---|---|
| W. A. Lipe, | Robert Weidensall, |
| M. L. Kunkleman, | J. F. Wilhelmy, |
| R. A. White, | Uriah Bruner, |
| G. H. Schnur, | H. K. Musser, |
| W. F. Eyster. | George Lamer. |

ALTERNATES.

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|---|---|
| C. W. Baker, | Prof. L. F. M. Easterday, |
| L. Groh, | Oscar P. Goodman, |
| R. W. Petrea, | H. J. Penfold, |
| J. F. Kuhlman, | Geo. A. Crannell, |
| A. J. Turkle. | W. F. Petring. |

## EVENING SESSION.

The evening session was given over to the Church Extension work, when Rev. H. H. Weber, General Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, and Rev. Geo. W. Dell, delivered addresses. The collection was for Church Extension, $10.61.

## THIRD DAY—FIRST SESSION.

SATURDAY, 8:30 A. M.

Synod opened in usual form.

**Report of the Committee on Letters and Papers.**

Your Committee reports that the letter placed in their hands is a communication from Robert Weidensall addressed to the President of this Synod, and dated London, Eng., September 8, 1894. The letter consists of two parts; in one he offers suggestions relative to the office of Traveling Secretary; in the other he sends Synod his kind greeting. We recommend that the first part

be referred to the Committee on Traveling Secretary, and that the second part be read to Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. EYSTER,
JACOB A. CLUTZ,
J. E. WEBER.

The report was adopted and the letter read.

### Report of the Auditing Committee.

Your Committee report that they have made a careful examination of the Treasurer's books, and find the same correct. We commend the careful and exact manner in which he has kept his accounts.

C. W. BAKER,
H. J. HAPEMAN,
U. J. MARTZ.

Report adopted.

### Report of Committee on Minutes of North Platte Conference.

Your Committee report, on examination of said Minutes of the meeting held at Emanuel church, Rev. J. W. Kimmel, pastor *loci*, April 24–26: We find that Bros. Detweiler and Zimmer were not excused from non-attendance. We recommend that the action of Conference be sustained.

Respectfully submitted,

W. DIFFENBACH,
R. W. PETREA.

Report adopted.

### Report of the Committee on Midland College.

There is cause for devout gratitude to our Heavenly Father that in the prevailing financial and industrial depression, and that notwithstanding the unprecedented failure of the crops this year in so large a part of Nebraska and Kansas, Midland College has successfully carried on its work, and has entered upon this year with a larger number of students in attendance than at the be ginning of any former year.

It is evident from the large number of students in attendance from Atchison that the institu ion has the confidence of the community in which it is located, and that it is doing good and thorough work in the different departments of education in which instruction is given.

During the past year, in addition to the regular work of the College, instruction in theology has been given to a class of six students preparing for the ministry; this will be continued during the coming year with the same number of students. Several of these have been actively engaged in mission work during vacation.

It is gratifying to note that during the last year the institution received by donation a valuable farm, the income from which is immediately available. The German Nebraska Synod has also raised eight hundred dollars toward the endowment of the German professorship.

We earnestly commend this institution to our pastors and churches, urging

them to support it by sending students, and by giving financial help to sustain and advance its work.

We call attention to the fact that our Synod has undertaken to endow a professorship: we regret to be unable to report any progress in this work.

We recommend that Synod appoint a committee of two, whose duty it shall be to appeal to the wealthy members of our church for funds to enable this Synod to endow a professorship, and to keep this subject before our pastors and people.

We call attention also to an action of the Board of Trustees at their last meeting, by which the collections heretofore taken for the contingent fund of the college will be applied to increase the library. As a library is of first importance, it is hoped collections for this purpose will be liberal.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. KUHLMAN,
M. L. KUNKLEMAN,
H. J. HAPEMAN.

Report adopted.

The following was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of Synod be instructed to procure from the Publication House 25 blank certificates each of licensure and ordination.

## Report of the Committee on Vacancies.

The vacancies are as follows: Auburn, Sabetha, Grand Island, Sidney, Roca, St. Mark's, Omaha, McCook, and Kearney.

We recommend that all vacancies be placed under the care of the President of Synod, with discretionary power to delegate work.

L. GROH,
G. W. DELL,

## Report of Obituary Committee.

We would respectfully report that since our last session of Synod two deaths have occurred which call for more than a passing notice.

1. That of Rev. A. Yockel, one of the ministerial members of Synod. This brother came to us three years ago by letter of honorable dismissal from the German Evangelical Association. Being in bad health at the time, he never assumed the charge of a regular pastorate among us. But of German birth and Lutheran training in his youth, he sought this connection with our Synod, with a view to doing some work of a missionary character among a colony of German Lutherans living in the vicinity of Malvern, Ark, where he was under treatment for his physical infirmities. How long he continued this work, or with what results, your Committee have no means of knowing. We are assured, however, that during his connection with our body he was a faithful and consistent minister of Christ, and in his death, which occurred at St. Joseph, Mo., March 18, 1894, we recognize a call of the Master to renewed zeal and energy in our appointed work, so that at last when He shall come to call us to our reward, we shall also be ready, as we believe our brother to have been.

Your Committee would recommend that the Secretary be instructed to communicate this action to the family of the deceased and assure them of our sympathy in their bereavement and commend them to the God of all grace and comfort.

2. On May 9, 1894, death entered the home of our brother, Rev. L. J. Motschmann, then pastor of our church at Grand Island, and removed therefrom his companion in life and labor. Mrs. Motschmann was the daughter of Rev. J. D. Severinghaus, D. D., of Chicago, another worthy minister of our Church, and had been married only a few months before. She was a lady of unusual charms of personal character, and having enjoyed the highest advantages of home culture and foreign travel, gave promise of great usefulness in the work to which, with her husband, she had fully given herself. Her death, coming so early in her married life and in her husband's work in his first pastorate, was a specially sore bereavement to our brother, and we think it fitting that Synod should, in this formal way, express its deep sympathy with him and its earnest prayer that he may know all the consolations of the Divine word and Spirit, which it is his duty and privilege as a minister of Christ to offer to others in time of affliction and sorrow.

Your Committee recommend that the Secretary be instructed to send a copy of this minute to Bro. Motschmann.

J. A. CLUTZ,
GEO. W. DELL,
U. J. MARTZ.

The report was adopted by rising vote, and, while standing, Rev. Groh led in prayer.

The committee on examining the files and records of the Secretary made a verbal report, asking further time.

The following was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the committee be continued with power to examine during the interim, not only the files of the Secretary but the papers of the Treasurer, and that they be instructed to secure some suitable place for the keeping of the archives of Synod; and further, that the committee be instructed to deposit any papers of no immediate value to Synod in the Historical Library at Gettysburg.

### Report of the Committee on State of Religion.

Considering the peculiar pressures and hindrances which have existed in the regions where most of our churches are located, there is more cause for encouragement than discouragement. Everywhere our pastors have been faithful in their ministrations, though not a few of them have been closely pressed. The prayer-meetings in some instances are omitted, and in others sparsely attended and lacking in spiritual power, while in a few this mid-week service is so well up to the standard, that it is a source of encouragement and strength to the church. The Lord's Supper has been regularly

administered, and as a rule well observed by the members. Your Committee is glad to note that there seems to be a conscience in the line of catechetical work, both on the part of the pastors and people. We earnestly pray for such a development of this conscience as will assure faithful work in all our churches. Our Sunday-school reports show a development that has in it large promise for the future. The benevolence of the church is not what we desire, but under the circumstances shows no occasion for discouragement. As a whole it is evident that God and His Spirit are in the Church, and with thanks to God for His care and blessing we take courage and press forward.

W. L. REMSBERG,
W. A. LIPE.

Report adopted.

### Report of Committee on Leave of Absence.

Your Committee recommend that Rev. A. J. Turkle, Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D., Bros. U. J. Martz, Ole Larson and L. F. M. Easterday be excused from further attendance on Synod.

LUTHER M. KUHNS,
L. F. M. EASTERDAY,
J. S. LEAMER.

Report adopted.

The following was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Synod is pleased to have had with us at this session the Rev. H. H. Weber, General Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, and Rev. S. B. Barnitz, D. D., Western Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, and to have heard their encouraging statements concerning the work of these important Boards.

*Resolved*, That we assure them and their Boards of our grateful appreciation of the assistance given to our churches in the past, and that we pledge to them our hearty sympathy and support in the further prosecution of their work, not only on our territory, but throughout the General Synod.

### Report of the Committee on Excuses.

The following ministers have sent in their letters asking to be excused: Revs. J. G. Groenmiller, S. Aughey, A. T. Ludwig, P. Gafert, H. W. Kuhns, D. D., P. B. Holtgreve, J. S. Detweiler, D. D., B. F. Pugh, L. J. Motschmann, Lloyd Knight, C. A. Fritze, I. N. Augustine, A. C. Gearhart, D. D. We recommend that they be excused. We also recommend the excusing of Rev. J. Zimmerman on account of sickness, and Rev. F. W. Scheibel on the verbal excuse.

The following lay members asked to be excused: J. F. Smith, Morris Kates, J. B. Martin, F. Coleman, O. P. Goodman. We recommend that they be excused.

Respectfully submitted,

R. W. PETREA,
EDWARD DODENDORF.

Report adopted.

## Report of the Examining Committee.

The Examining Committee would respectfully report that they have had under examination the four brethren, John. J. Albert, Jesse L. Leamer, Calvin J. Ringer and W. H. Dutton. The first two of these have had two years in the Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, the third has spent one year in the theological department at Midland College. Brothers Leamer and Ringer have had *ad-interim* license from the President of Synod, and they and Brother Albert have been supplying vacant churches within our bounds during the summer. Brother Dutton has been studying theology privately, and comes to us as a licentiate of the Synod of South-West Virginia, having been called to Tekamah pastorate.

Your Committee recommend—

1. That the brethren Albert, Leamer and Ringer be licensed for one year with the understanding that they will complete their course of study in the Theological Seminary.

2. That Brother Dutton be re-licensed for another year with the understanding that he will also continue his studies under the direction of the Chairman of the Examining Committee.

L. GROH,
W. L. REMSBERG,
M. L. KUNKLEMAN,
W. F. EYSTER,
JACOB A. CLUTZ,

The report was adopted.

## Supplemental Report of Examining Committee.

Your Committee to whom was referred the case of the following brethren, Revs. F. M. Andreason, A. Jatho, L. Schabinger, and H. L. Roernaes, would recommend that these brethren be suspended from membership until a satisfactory apology is presented, for their unexcused absence, to the President of Synod, and they comply with the duties of members of this Synod.

L. GROH,
W. L. REMSBERG,
M. L. KUNKLEMAN,
W. F. EYSTER,
JACOB A. CLUTZ.

The following was offered as an amendment to the report:

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of Synod send the brethren named a copy of this action, and that the President of Synod announce through the church papers their suspension, if no satisfactory explanation is received from them at the expiration of three months.

The amendment was adopted.

The report as amended was adopted.

The President of Synod was directed to proceed according to Constitution with the licensing of the brethren named in the Ex-

amining Committee's report. Ceremony to take place on Sunday evening at the close of the sermon.

## THIRD DAY—SECOND SESSION.

SATURDAY, 2 P. M.

Synod opened in usual form.

### Report of Committee on Orphans' Home.

Your Committee on Orphans' Home would report that some work has been done by members of the Committee, but we can report nothing definite to this body at this time. We are informed that the German Synod of Nebraska are taking steps towards establishing such an institution in the very near future.

We would recommend that this or another committee be continued another year, with authority conferred upon them as one year ago.

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. McCOOL.
W. A. LIPE.

Report was adopted.

Synod, by resolution, appointed the following as the committee: Rev. H. W. Kuhns, D. D., Rev. W. C. McCool, Rev. J. G. Groenmiller, Rev. W. A. Lipe and Rev. L. P. Ludden.

### Report of the Committee on Establishing a Synodical Paper.

Your Committee on the proposition of establishing a Synodical paper appreciate the fairness of the offer and the large-hearted kindness that prompted it, but after consulting with a number of brethren, and due consideration, we are constrained, in view of all the circumstances, to recommend that the time does not seem opportune for its establishment.

LUTHER M. KUHNS,
C. W. BAKER,
W. DIFFENBACH.

Report was adopted.

### Report of the Committee on Resolutions.

Your Committee offer the following:

WHEREAS, The drought has occasioned distress among the people of the State, many of whom are Lutherans; therefore,

1. *Resolved*, That the executive council of this Synod, acting, if possible, in connection with the German Nebraska Synod, devise and superintend such measures of relief as may seem practical to them.

2. *Resolved*, That our delegates to the next General Synod be instructed to earnestly request the Board of Publication to publish a Sunday-school paper to be issued weekly, and also to commence the publication of a colored weekly picture paper for the younger Sunday-school scholars.

3. *Resolved*, That we re-affim our former deliverances on dancing (see Minutes of 1891, page 24).

4. *Resolved*, That we regard social games of cards, progressive euchre parties and such like, as dangerous to the spiritual growth and religious influence of our young people, as well as inconsistent with the vows of church membership, and that the officers of our congregations be called upon to give proper notice of this action to their respective congregations.

5. *Resolved*, That our Delegates to the next General Synod be instructed to request the Board of Publication to make some equitable arrangement for exchanging our old hymnals for the proposed new hymn book, especially as many of our congregatious are necessitated to make purchases while the new book is in press.

6. *Resolved*, That the members of the Nebraska Synod greatly appreciate the cordial manner in which we have been entertained by the good pastor and people of West Point, for the use of their church and pleasant homes. That we return to them our grateful thanks, and pray for God's richest blessing upon their homes and church work, and that the above be conveyed to the congregation by our President at the Sunday night service.

JACOB A. CLUTZ,
G. H. ALBRIGHT.

The report was considered item by item, and then was adopted as a whole.

The following was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of Synod be instructed to have printed 600 copies of our Minutes for distribution, at a cost not to exceed $75, including delivery.

Synod named as the committee to have charge of the endowment of the professorship in Midland College Rev. A. J. Turkle and Rev. Luther M. Kuhns.

Rev. L. Groh presented a bill for two dollars traveling expenses while on the work of Synod. The bill was allowed and the Secretary instructed to draw an order upon the Treasurer.

A recess was taken for preparatory services, Rev. C. W. Baker preaching the sermon. Text: Ps. xxiv. 3–5.

At the close of the preparatory service Synod resumed business.

The executive council reported verbally that no meetings had been held during the year.

The following was adopted:

*Resolved*, That whenever the President of Synod deems it necessary to visit the vacant congregations, his traveling expenses, not otherwise provided for, shall be borne by Synod.

The following was adopted:

*Resolved*, That when we adjourn it be to meet at the time and place selected.

The minutes of the meeting were read and finally approved.

## EVENING SESSION.

The evening session was given over to the work of Education, when Rev. W. Diffenbach preached—text, Prov. 8th chapter and 11th verse. Collection, $2.76.

## SUNDAY SERVICES.

10:30 a. m., Synodical Communion Sermon by Rev. W. L. Remsberg, text Mark 14th chapter and 4th verse.

At 2 p. m. the Sunday school convened and was addressed by members of the Synod.

At 3 p. m. Rev. E. F. A. Hantel preached in the German, text St. John 15th chapter and 1st to 11th verses.

At 7 p. m. a Young People's meeting was held.

At 8 p. m. Licensure Sermon by Rev. L. Groh, from 2 Peter ii. 5. At the close of the sermon the President of Synod, assisted by the Secretary and other members of Synod, licensed the Rev. John Jacob Albert, Rev. W. A. Dutton, Rev. Jesse S. Leamer and Rev. Calvin J. Ringer to the gospel ministry in accordance with the usages of our General Synod Evangelical Lutheran Church.

After singing hymn No. 434 and prayer by the President, Synod formally adjourned to meet in St. Paul's Lutheran church, Wayne, Neb., September 25, 1895.

LUTHER P. LUDDEN, *Secretary*.

# MINISTERIUM.

FRIDAY, 4 : 30 P. M.

The Ministerium was called to order by the President and opened with prayer.

Roll was called, showing a quorum present.

(For the action of Ministerium, see protocol.)

SATURDAY, 4 : 30 P. M.

Ministerium was called to order by the President.

The minutes were read and approved.

Adjourned.

LUTHER P. LUDDEN, *Secretary.*

## PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE NEBRASKA SYNOD.

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